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Application Serial No. 09/835,126

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Title: Ex Vivo Treatment of Allogenic and Xenogenic Donor T Cells Compositions (Bone

Marrow) Using GP39 Antagonists and Use Thereof

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Group Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: P. Gambel

AMENDMENT AND REPLY PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the official action dated May 19, 2003, and is timely filed, as it is accompanied by a petition for an extension of time to file in the first month and the requisite fee.